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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-5 without prejudice and add the following new claims:

6. (New) A movable barrier operator having automatic force setting capabilities, the operator comprising:

a motor coupled to a movable barrier to be moved;

a temperature detector for detecting temperatures; and

a controller operatively coupled to the motor and the temperature detector for commanding the motor to move at a specified force and for changing the force according to changes of temperature detected by the temperature detector.

7. (New) A movable barrier operator according to claim 6, wherein the controller comprises:

a controller for increasing the force from the specified force when a decrease in temperature has been detected.

8. (New) A method of selecting force settings for a movable barrier operator, the method comprising:

operating a movable barrier operator at a specified force setting; detecting temperature changes; and changing the force setting according to the temperature change

detected.

9. (New) A method according to claim 8, wherein changing the force setting comprises:

increasing the force setting when a decrease in temperature is detected.